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To Whom It May Concern:

If it is true that the language of the Microsoft Settlement precludes Open Source and Government bodies from gaining access to vital Microsoft API source code, I believe that would be an egregious and shameful miscarriage of justice.

Perhaps the definition of a "competitor" who is allowed to view the API code needs to be changed to more widely encompassing definition which includes entities like the Open Source community and Federal, State, and possibly local governments.

Sincerely,

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